

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2972 - HB 3255

March 5, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a Class E felony offense for a person who carries or possesses any firearm or explosive device while committing or escaping from a felony. The bill requires that the offender be charged for the firearm offense in addition to the predicate offense and not be eligible for suspension of sentence upon conviction. Requires the period of incarceration to be served consecutively to any other sentence and requires 100% of sentence to be served.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$7,498,200/Incarceration*

Assumes 500 offenses each year involve possession of firearms and will serve a minimum of one additional year incarcerated consecutively to any other sentence imposed.

**Section 9-6-119, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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